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In re A	Application of:)	
David W JOHNSON, et al.) .	Confirmation No.: 1511
Application No.: 10/698,424)	Group Art Unit: 1638
Filed:	November 3, 2003)	Examiner: Keith Robinson
For:	ALFALFA PLANTS HAVING IMPROVED STANDABILITY AND/OR FAST RECOVERY AFTER HARVEST)	
	AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING SAME)	

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the election of species requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed December 1, 2004, applicant hereby elects without traverse the invention defined by the Examiner as Invention I (drawn to claims 1-21, and 30).

Applicant respectfully requests formal examination of the elected claims on the merits.

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37 C.F.R. § 136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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